
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT & ELECTIONS

Please Note: H-6101 has been postponed at sponsor's request

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Monday, April 12, 2021

TIME: 2:00 PM

PLACE: Room 35 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [6222](#)

BY Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Kazarian, Ackerman, Edwards, Abney

ENTITLED, AN ACT ESTABLISHING A REAPPORTIONMENT COMMISSION {LC2620/1}

(Creates an eighteen (18) member special commission on reapportionment whose purpose is to draft and to report to the general assembly an act to reapportion the districts of the general assembly and the state's United States Congressional districts.)

04/08/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5868](#)

BY Cortvriend, Speakman, Kislak, Carson, Potter, Ajello, Tanzi, Fogarty, Newberry, Place

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - SPECIAL

COMMISSION ON REAPPORTIONMENT {LC1834/1} (Creates an eighteen (18) member special commission to reapportion all general assembly districts and congressional districts based on 2020 federal Census data by January 15, 2022.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/26/2021 Committee transferred to House State Government & Elections

04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6009](#)

BY Newberry, Place, Filippi, Knight, Cortvriend

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REDISTRICTING ACT

{LC1753/1} (Creates a redistricting commission to act every 10 years to adopt a redistricts plan for all general assembly and congressional districts. It also provides for a possible appeal of the plan to the state supreme court.)

02/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6211](#)

(by request)

BY Phillips, Bennett

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- REDISTRICTING

{LC2487/1} (Requires for adoption of redistricting legislation an affirmative vote of a majority of representatives and senators voting by each of the 2 chambers' and by a majority of representatives and senators in the largest 2 member-represented political parties.)

04/07/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5021](#)

BY Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE EDWARD O. HAWKINS AND THOMAS C. SLATER MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT {LC225/1} (Prevents employers from refusing to hire or discriminating against individuals for marijuana use and positive test results.)

01/13/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

04/02/2021 Committee transferred to House State Government & Elections

04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5017](#)

BY Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE EDWARD O. HAWKINS AND THOMAS C. SLATER MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT {LC229/1} (Adds a definition to the term "manufacture" in the medical marijuana chapter.)

01/13/2021 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

02/02/2021 Committee transferred to House Health & Human Services

04/02/2021 Committee transferred to House State Government & Elections

04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5190](#)

BY Serpa, O'Brien, S Lima

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE EDWARD O. HAWKINS AND THOMAS C. SLATER MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT {LC784/1} (Includes domestic pets as eligible to use medical marijuana if certified by a licensed veterinarian.)

01/27/2021 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

02/02/2021 Committee transferred to House Health & Human Services

04/02/2021 Committee transferred to House State Government & Elections

04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5271](#)

BY Williams, Vella-Wilkinson, Perez, Slater, Felix

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - THE EDWARD O. HAWKINS AND THOMAS C. SLATER MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT {LC931/1} (Prohibits the transfer of any compassion center license to any other owner or location and provides that new compassion center licenses issued by way of lottery be issued only to the location and ownership approved in the application.)

01/29/2021 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

04/02/2021 Committee transferred to House State Government & Elections

04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5273](#)

BY Williams, Giraldo, Morales, Henries, Vella-Wilkinson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE EDWARD O. HAWKINS AND THOMAS C. SLATER MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT -- THE RHODE ISLAND CANNABIS EQUITY ACT OF 2021 {LC69/1} (DBR to conduct social/racial equity analysis on issuance of business licenses to include license to sell marijuana.)

01/29/2021 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

04/02/2021 Committee transferred to House State Government & Elections

04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6180](#)

BY McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- OPEN MEETINGS {LC2544/1} (Provides that public bodies not be required to hold open-forum sessions on any topic not on the meeting notice and limits comment on any topic not previously posted.)

03/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6192](#)

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Cardillo, Noret, Ackerman, Nardone, Chippendale, Price, Casimiro, Solomon, Bennett

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES {LC2531/1} (Allows "Disabled Veterans" as defined in § 31-6-8 to apply for as many registration plates desired for vehicles they own.)

03/31/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6101](#)

BY Morgan, Nardone

~~**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- SUNSET ADVISORY COMMISSION {LC1361/1} (Establishes the Sunset Advisory Review Commission.)~~

~~03/03/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections~~

~~03/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

~~03/27/2021 Committee postponed at request of sponsor~~

~~04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

House Bill No. [6099](#)

BY Morgan, Nardone, Roberts

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- REGISTRATION OF VOTERS {LC1481/1} (Tightens up the requirements for registering to vote and for applying for a mail ballot. It mandates that driver's licenses and motor vehicle identification cards for non-drivers have a marking which identifies the holder as a foreign national.)

03/03/2021 Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections

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03/26/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/29/2021 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/08/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

The State House remains closed to in-person testimony.

The meeting will be televised on Capitol Television, which can be seen on Cox Channels 15, and 61, in high definition on Cox Channel 1061, on Full Channel on Channel 15 and on Channel 34 by Verizon subscribers.

It will also be live streamed at <http://rilegislature.gov/CapTV/Pages/default.aspx> .

WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Written testimony is strongly encouraged and may be submitted via

HouseStateGovernmentandElections@rilegislature.gov

Indicate your name, bill number, and viewpoint (for/against/neither) at top of message.

Due to high volume, clerks are not screening this inbox for verbal testimony requests.

This inbox is for written testimony only.

DEADLINE: Written testimony should be submitted no later than three (3) hours prior to the posted meeting time. Every effort will be made to share written testimony submitted before the deadline with committee members prior to the hearing. Testimony received after deadline will be sent to committee members and posted to the website as soon as possible.

For faster processing, it is recommended that testimony is submitted as a PDF file.

Testimony will be posted on the General Assembly website,

<http://www.rilegislature.gov/Special/comdoc/Pages/HSGE.aspx> .

VERBAL TESTIMONY

Due to the extremely high volume of requests, and in order to accommodate as many constituents as possible, please take note of the revised procedure for verbal testimony:

***DEADLINE: Requests for verbal testimony must be submitted via the link, by 4:00 PM on Sunday, April 11, 2021.**

For verbal testimony requests, [CLICK HERE](#)

Verbal testimony accepted on any bill scheduled for "Hearing and/or Consideration" only.

The committee is unable to designate a specific time that you will be called. In the event you are unavailable when called, witnesses are urged to submit written testimony.

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Committee Clerk

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